IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

In re: PATENT APPLICATION of:
Inventor(s): Ishii et al.
Appln. No.: 09 | 988,051
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Group Art Unit 2873
Examiner: Timothy J. Thompson
Atty. Dkt. P 283710 | OL76398N-US-DCIP DIV
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Filed: Nov 16, 2001
Title: Zoom Lens System

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: April 21, 2003

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER RULE 114

Please continue the examination of this application.

PREREQUISITES

This application was filed on/after June 8, 1995, is not abandoned, and no court action has been filed, or if filed, it has been terminated.

An issue fee **has not been** paid (unless a petition under Rule 313(c)(2) is also being filed -- see item 4 below).

Prosecution has been closed as defined in Rule 114(b).

Reply to any outstanding action **must be enclosed or previously filed.**

This application is entitled under Rule 114 to withdrawal of any outstanding finality or of any allowance plus a new action by the Examiner. Consideration on the merits of each submission (e.g., IDS, Amendment, new arguments, new evidence, but not appeal/reply briefs themselves) filed herewith is respectfully requested.

Please consider the following before the next Official Action:

1. Please ☒ enter ☐ do not enter the Amendment filed
2. ☒ The enclosed new Amendment
3. ☐ Consider the arguments in the appeal brief filed _____ and reply brief filed_____
4. ☐ The issue fee has been paid, but this RCE is based on Rule 313(c)(2). See enclosed petition.
5. ☐ The enclosed Information Disclosure Statement
 ☐ IDS Letter ☐ Cited Appln ☐ Foreign Search Report/OA
 ☐ PTO-1449 ☐ Cited Documents
6. ☐ Please suspend action under Rule 103(c) for a period of _____ months (3 mos. Max) for which charge the required $130 fee (fee code 098) to our Deposit Account (see below).
7. Petition is hereby made to extend the **original** due date of 2/20/03 to cover the date this Request is filed. **PLEASE CHARGE** the requisite fee to our Deposit Account (see below)
 (1 mo) $110/$55
 (2 mos) $410/$205 + 410
 (3 mos) $930/$465
8. **PLEASE CHARGE** the Rule 17(e) (RCE) filing fee of ☒ $750 (lg. ent.) ☐ $375 (sm. ent.) plus any deficiency and any other fee due now or later to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 9523 / 283710
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NOTE: Rule 17(e) filing fee Cannot be deferred! NO CLAIMS FEE REQUIRED unless you are adding claims by box 2 Amendment in which case cover this with PAT-120.

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